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DETAILED ACTION

1. The amendment filed on 4/02/2008, canceling all claims drawn to the elected invention and presenting new claims drawn to a non-elected invention is non-responsive (MPEP § 821.03). The new claims are not readable on the elected invention because newly submitted Claims 6-13 are directed to inventions that lack unity with the invention originally presented. Originally submitted Claims 1-5 are drawn to a composition comprising a compound according to formula (I) of instant Claim 1. Newly submitted Claims 6-9 are drawn to a method of treating neutrophilia in a subject in need thereof, comprising administration of a compound represented by formula (I) of Claim 6. Newly submitted Claims 10-13 are drawn to a method of treating chronic obstructive pulmonary disease in a subject in need thereof, comprising administration of a compound represented by formula (I) of Claim 10. The common technical feature linking Claims 1-13 is a compound of instant formula (I). Since compounds according to formula (I) are known in the art (see for example, previous Office Action, Egi et al., U.S. Patent 6,284,758), they are not a “special” technical feature and the claims, therefore, lack novelty.

Since Applicants have received an action on the merits for the originally presented invention, this invention has been constructively elected by original presentation for prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, Claims 6-13 are directed to a nonelected invention. See 37 CFR 1.142(b) and MPEP § 821.03. **The amended claim set has not been entered.**

Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a *bona fide* attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gregg Polansky whose telephone number is (571)272-9070. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thur 9:30 A.M. - 7:00 P.M. EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael Woodward can be reached on (571) 272-8373. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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